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1. ADDRESSEES AND ECOSOC DELEGATION GENEVA MAY WISH TO CALL ATTENTION TO FOLLOWING PASSAGE FROM SECRETARY'S SPEECH IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ON JUNE 23, 1975. (SPEECH WAS DELIVERED TO SOUTHERN COUNCIL ON INTERNATIONAL AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND THE ATLANTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. SECTION QUOTED BELOW IS SUBTITLED DEVELOPING NATIONS, FROM PAGE 10 OF TEXT PRINTED IN PR 342.)

BEGIN QUOTE:

2. IN RECENT YEARS, THE PROBLEMS OF THE NEW NATIONS OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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DEVELOPING WORLD HAVE GROWN MORE URGENT.

3. THE STRENGTH OF THE DOLLAR, THE EXPANSION OF TRADE, THE FREE FLOW IN INVESTMENT, THE SUPPLY AND PRICE OF ENERGY, FOOD, AND OTHER VITAL RAW MATERIALS ALL DEPEND ON THE VITALITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM. BUT NO ECONOMIC SYSTEM CAN BE STABLE IF SCORES OF NATIONS CONSIDER THEMSELVES OUTSIDE AND HOSTILE TO IT. THE PRESIDENT GLOBAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM IS LARGE ENOUGH TO ENCOMPASS THE WELL-BEING OF CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS, RICH AND POOR. BUT IF IT DOES NOT, WE FACE A GENERATION OF ECONOMIC WARFARE. THE UNITED STATES IS PREPARED TO WORK, WITH UNDERSTANDING AND IMAGINATION, FOR THESE CHANGES. BUT THERE MUST BE A PROCESS OF MUTUAL ACCOMMODATION THAT SAFEGUARDS THE INTERESTS OF ALL NATIONS. WE WILL NOT SUBMIT TO BLACKMAIL, BLOC PRESSURES OR IDEOLOGICAL RHETORIC. WE WILL DEFEND OUR INTERESTS. BUT WE WILL LISTEN TO REASONED DEBATE AND CONSIDER CAREFULLY PRODUCTIVE SUGGESTIONS FOR REFORM.

4. THE UNITED STATES HAS ALREADY TAKEN THE LEAD WITH NEW PROPOSALS ON A RANGE OF ISSUES VITAL TO THE DEVELOPING WORLD:

- TO FIGHT THE SCOURGE OF HUNGER, THIS GOVERNMENT, RECOGNIZING THAT AMERICA'S FOOD AID CANNOT PROVIDE A LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO THE GLOBAL FOOD PROBLEM, CALLED FOR THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE WHICH MET LAST NOVEMBER IN ROME. AT THAT CONFERENCE WE ENGAGED OTHER NATIONS IN A MULTILATERAL COMMITMENT TO RAISE FOOD PRODUCTION, TO IMPROVE AGRICULTURAL FINANCING AND DISTRIBUTION, AND TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF NATIONALLY-HELD GRAIN RESERVES.

- ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY NATIONS ARE NOW ENGAGED IN AN UNPRECEDENTED NEGOTIATION ON A COMPREHENSIVE NEW LAW OF THE SEA. AT STAKE ARE THE REACH OF TERRITORIAL SOVEREIGNTY, THE SAFETY OF THE SHIPPING LANES, AND ACCESS TO VAST RESOURCES. SUCCESS IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD REPRESENT AN UNPRECEDENTED ACHIEVEMENT IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AFFECTING THREE QUARTERS OF THE SURFACE OF OUR PLANET AND ENORMOUS MINERAL AND OTHER WEALTH. THE UNITED

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STATES WILL MAKE A MAJOR EFFORT TO BRING IT TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION AT THE FINAL SESSION NEXT MARCH.

- ON THE BROADER QUESTION OF RAW MATERIALS, THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SEEK A STABLE AND FAIR INCOME FROM COMMODITIES WHICH ARE CENTRAL TO THEIR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. WE IN TURN SEEK RELIABILITY OF SUPPLY FOR OUR INDUSTRIES. THE U.S. HAS THEREFORE PROPOSED NEW INTER-

NATIONAL RULES AND PROCEDURES ON ACCESS TO SUPPLIES AND MARKETS; DISCUSSIONS ON NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMODITY TRADE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS; AND NEW WAYS OF FINANCING COMMODITY DEVELOPMENT IN PRODUCING COUNTRIES.

5. ALL THESE ISSUES WILL BE RAISED AT A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIS SEPTEMBER. WORKING CLOSELY WITH CONGRESS, WE ARE NOW PREPARING

CONCRETE DETAILED AND WE HOPE CREATIVE PROPOSALS FOR THAT SESSION. WE INTEND, WHILE FULLY PROTECTING OUR NATION'S INTERESTS, TO DEAL WITH CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES WITH REALISM, IMAGINATION, AND UNDERSTANDING. WE HOPE THAT OTHERS WILL MEET US IN THE SAME SPIRIT. END QUOTE INGERSOLL

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